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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith references which they believe may be material to the examination of this application and with respect to which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

While the references may be "material" under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the references are "prior art" unless specifically designated as such.

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The reference is listed in PTO Form 1449 which is in accordance with the requirements of M.P.E.P. 609. A copy of the references are also enclosed. The references are:

1. Stillinger, F. H., "Water Revisited", Science, vol. 209: no. 4455, pp. 451-57, (1980).
2. Romania Patent No. 107546, 03/29/1996, Carasava, M. et al. (Abstract).
3. Romania Patent No. 107545, 03/29/1996, Carasava, M. et al. (Abstract).
4. Romania Patent No. 107544, 03/29/1996, Carasava, M. et al. (Abstract).

5. U.S. Patent No. 6,139,855, issued to Cioca et al, on October 31, 2000.
6. Antelman, M. S., "Silver(II, III) Disinfectants", Soap/Cosmetics/Chemical Specialties, pp. 52-59 (1994).
7. U.S. Patent No. 5,770,089, issued to Kubo on June 23, 1998.
8. U.S. Patent No. 5,846,397, issued to Manzatu et al.

It is respectfully requested that this reference be considered by the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of the above-identified application and be made of record therein. The Examiner is also invited to contact the Undersigned if there are any questions concerning this paper or the attached reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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